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This letter is a result of the rate increase request by APS. I just don't understand how APS can charge the rates they do and still request a rate increase.

It seems to me that the management of APS is not smart or capable enough to determine who is using all the electricity. They just sit back and decide it's easier to increase the rates for everyone rather than increase the rates on the folks or businesses that use the most electricity.

Driving around the cities I find that most of the buildings have lights on, but no one is working there. Why are they wasting electricity? There are advertising signs and billboards with bright lights and its after 11PM. Who is reading those signs and why are they wasting electricity? Millions of kilowatts of electricity are being wasted every night and you want the citizens to pay for the waste!!!! I don't understand why bright, brilliant outside lights used for advertising have to be on between 10PM and 6AM.

With all the rate increases in the past, why do they need more money? Usually if you use more electricity you pay more and APS makes enough money to run a profitable business. It seems that APS management is purposely not charging the proper rate for the wasted electricity or they would not need continuous rate increases.

Many of the residents that APS serves are on a fixed income and have just enough money for food, electricity, water and necessary items to make ends meet each month. I don't understand how the Arizona Corporation Commission can allow APS to increase rates when many folks do not have the extra money. When did any of them get a rate increase in their Pension, Social Security, welfare check so that have the money to give to APS?

The summer rate increases that you have allowed APS is the biggest joke of all. It seems that many folks try to maintain their usual electricity usage in the summer, but as a result of their efforts to maintain energy conservation, they are force to pay more for the same amount of electricity used. WHY??? Why do the folks who do not use Air Conditioning, or very little Air Conditioning have their rates increased???? Find the folks and businesses that waste electricity and increase their summer electricity usage and charge them a higher rate so APS is profitable from the high users. APS don't care they just pass the expense along to the customer.

It seems to me that APS does not want to help solve the real problem of high Electricity costs. APS just keeps charging more and more and more because it's easier and they know the Arizona Corporation Commission will approve the increase

How about forcing APS to provide relatively simple information to the public of why they need the rate increases. We don't need the book keeping mumbo jumbo. All we want to know is why they cannot have a stable business.

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